

a.) REMARKS

In the outstanding Office Action, the Examiner required that Applicants elect for prosecution one of the inventions among Groups I-XIV noted on pages 2-3. The Examiner also required Applicant to select species for search as noted on pages 3-6 of the Office Action.

In response, Applicants hereby elect to prosecute the invention of Group I, namely Claims 1-12, 26-29, 42 and 46-48. With regard to the selection of species, Applicants hereby select A, namely DNA of SEQ ID NO:2 encoding polypeptide of SEQ ID NO:1 (Species Selection No. 1) and species 11, namely side effects of chemotherapy (Species Selection No. 5).

Entry hereof is earnestly solicited.

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